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Identical letters dated 23 October 2015 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

On instructions from my Government, I transmit to you herewith a statistical summary of Israeli violations of Security Council resolution 1701 (2006) committed during the month of September 2015 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 37, and of the Security Council.

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Land violations

Date	*Time*	*Nature of violation*
2 September 2015	0930	A strong explosion was heard near the Israeli enemy's Ramta position in the occupied Shab'a Farms.
	1150	Opposite the town of Alma al-Sha'b, three Israeli enemy personnel directed curses in Arabic at the personnel of Lebanese Army observation post L130.
3 September 2015	0400 0700	Inside the occupied Shab'a Farms, the Israeli enemy conducted an exercise in which it used artillery, machine guns and medium-size weapons.
	0900	Inside occupied Palestinian territory, opposite Sahl al-Khiyam, near point B90, an Israeli enemy patrol comprising two Hummer vehicles, two Defender vehicles and a Poclain bulldozer repaired the road next to the technical fence. As the work was being done, the patrol members loaded the 12.7 mm machine gun mounted on the Hummer vehicle and pointed their weapons towards a Lebanese Army patrol. The work ended at 1800 hours, and the patrol withdrew into occupied territory.
8 September 2015	1755	An Israeli enemy patrol comprising two Hummer vehicles and one Defender vehicle approached opposite the Mahafir-Udaysah area. Eight members of the patrol descended, opened the gate and crossed the technical fence. They proceeded some 35 metres into Lebanese territory (to which Lebanon maintains a claim) and photographed it. The patrol members and vehicles left at 1820 hours and headed towards occupied territory and closed gate.
9 September 2015	1115	An Israeli enemy patrol comprising one Defender vehicle and one Hummer vehicle with a pole-mounted camera arrived at Fatimah Gate 5, opposite Sahl al-Khiyam, and pointed the camera towards Lebanese territory. The patrol withdrew into occupied territory at 1150 hours.
10 September 2015	0600 0800	The sound of several explosions and bursts of gun fire were heard around the Israeli enemy's positions inside the occupied Shab'a Farms.
13 September 2015	0800 1235	As the Israeli enemy was building a road along the technical fence inside occupied Palestinian territory, opposite the town of Rumaysh, between points BP14 (1) and BP14 (2), an enemy patrol comprising a Hummer vehicle, seven soldiers and a Merkava tank took up a position at point BP14, twice pointing the tank's cannon towards a Lebanese Army patrol that was in Lebanese territory.
	1700	Two civilian buses stopped opposite the Lebanese Army temporary checkpoint overlooking Udaysah and approximately 70 persons carrying Palestinian flags descended in order to take pictures. At the same time, an enemy Hummer vehicle set out from the Udaysah East 2 post in occupied territory and stopped opposite the above-mentioned point. An enemy soldier descended from the vehicle and raised his foot towards the civilians. The vehicle returned towards the Udaysah East 2 post at 1730 hours.

Date	*Time*	*Nature of violation*
17 September 2015	0630 0800	The sound of several explosions was heard in the Shab'a Farms.
	1000	Opposite the Ra's al-Naqurah position, the members of an Israeli enemy patrol directed obscene gestures at a Lebanese Army patrol.
20 September 2015	1310	In occupied Palestinian territory, opposite the town of Ramiyah, between points BP10 (1) and B28, two Israeli enemy Poclain excavators escorted by a Nakpadon vehicle crossed the technical fence and proceeded to clear a dirt road approximately 80 metres long and 4 metres wide between the above-mentioned points, without violating the Blue Line. All of the vehicles returned to occupied territory at 1915 hours.
26 September 2015	2200 2230	In the occupied territories, the Israeli enemy fired five flare shells over the Fashkul post.
30 September 2015	1700	In the town of Bani Hayan, Marj Uyun, a Lebanese Army patrol discovered an Israeli surveillance device disguised as a rock. The device, which consists of a camera and transmitters, had been placed there earlier by the Israeli enemy to monitor Lebanese territory.

Sea violations

Date	*Time*	*Nature of violation*
1 September 2015	1035	Opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 223 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a five-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
	1118	Opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree 6433 (2011), proceeding some 240 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a three-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
	1405	Opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli civilian ship accompanied by a Zodiac boat violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree 6433 (2011), proceeding some 50 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a 25-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
2 September 2015	0902	Opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, at the line of buoys, a warship and another vessel belonging to the Israeli enemy violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree 6433 (2011) and the personnel aboard proceeded to pull red floating objects out of the water. They then dropped two red buoys into the water, the first approximately 20 metres inside Lebanese territorial waters and the second approximately 40 metres inside Lebanese territorial waters. The ships then set off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.

Date	*Time*	*Nature of violation*
	1000	Opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree 6433 (2011), proceeding some 260 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a 90-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
	2010	From inside occupied Palestinian territorial waters, an Israeli enemy buoy intermittently directed a searchlight towards Lebanese territorial waters until 0515 hours on 3 September 2015.
3 September 2015	0500 0555	From inside occupied Palestinian territory at its position opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, the Israeli enemy directed a searchlight towards Lebanese territorial waters for four periods of 3 minutes each.
	1023	Opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree 6433 (2011), proceeding some 295 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a 29-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
	1025	Opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree 6433 (2011), proceeding some 295 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a 22-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
9 September 2015	0750	Opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree 6433 (2011), proceeding some 260 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a three-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
	0814	Opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree 6433 (2011), proceeding some 278 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a 19-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
15 September 2015	1945 2045	From its position in occupied Palestinian territory opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, the Israeli enemy directed a searchlight towards Lebanese territorial waters four times, the first time for 20 seconds, the second and third times for one minute and the fourth time for 30 seconds.
22 September 2015	0745	Opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree 6433 (2011), proceeding some 185 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a three-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
30 September 2015	1740	Opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree 6433 (2011), proceeding some 370 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a two-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.

Air violations

Date	*Time*	*Nature of violation*
1 September 2015	0610	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 0930 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.
	1015	Two Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Rumaysh. They circled over all regions of Lebanon before leaving at 1200 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.
	1815	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over the Western Bekaa before leaving at 0630 hours on 2 September over Kafr Killa.
3 September 2015	0615	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek, Hirmil and the South before leaving at 1715 hours over Naqurah.
	1005	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over Beirut and its suburbs, Batrun, Shikka, Arz, Jubayl, Kasrawan, Matn and Ba'abda before leaving at 1610 hours over Naqurah.
	1750	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 2350 hours over Naqurah.
4 September 2015	0910	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over Sir al-Dinniyah, Arz, Baalbek, Hirmil and the North before leaving at 1550 hours over Kafr Killa.
	1355	Two Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. They circled over all regions of Lebanon before leaving at 1445 hours over Naqurah.
5 September 2015	1015	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over the South before leaving at 1825 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.
6 September 2015	1010	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek, Hirmil and the South before leaving at 2100 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.
8 September 2015	1915	Two Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over the sea off Naqurah. They circled over all regions of Lebanon before leaving at 2000 hours over Naqurah.
	2330	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek, Hirmil and Arz before leaving at 1125 hours on 9 September over Kafr Killa.
9 September 2015	1905	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 0630 hours on 10 September over Rumaysh.

Date	*Time*	*Nature of violation*
12 September 2015	0030	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over Hasbayya, Rashayya and the South before leaving at 0530 hours over Kafr Killa.
	0905	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over Hasbayya, Rashayya and the South before leaving at 1420 hours over Rumaysh.
13 September 2015	0630	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese territory, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over the Western Bekaa, the South, Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 1815 hours over Rumaysh.
	1000	Two Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. They circled over all regions of Lebanon before leaving at 1130 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.
14 September 2015	0545	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 1330 hours over Kafr Killa.
15 September 2015	0645	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek, Hirmil and the South before leaving at 1300 hours over Kafr Killa.
16 September 2015	0700	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek, Hirmil and the South before leaving at 1635 hours over Naqurah.
17 September 2015	0830	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over Beirut and its suburbs, Jubayl and Batrun before leaving at 1400 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.
	0945	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b. It circled over the South before leaving at 1730 hours over Rumaysh.
	1030	Two Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. They circled over all regions of Lebanon before leaving at 1215 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.
	1045	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b. It circled over the South before leaving at 2100 hours over Kafr Killa.
18 September 2015	0615	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 1920 hours over Rumaysh.
	1015	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over the South, Hirmil and Akkar before leaving at 1605 hours over Kafr Killa.

Date	*Time*	*Nature of violation*
19 September 2015	0720	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over Beirut, Ba'abda, Matn, Riyaq, Baalbek and the South before leaving at 1815 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.
	0755	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over the occupied Shab'a Farms. It circled over the Western Bekaa, Riyaq and the South before leaving at 1250 hours over Naqurah.
20 September 2015	0805	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over Iqlim al-Kharrub and the South before leaving at 1320 hours over Rumaysh.
	0825	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 1830 hours over Naqurah.
21 September 2015	0650	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 1810 hours over Kafr Killa.
23 September 2015	0850	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Aytarun. It circled over the South before leaving at 2020 hours over Kafr Killa.
24 September 2015	0710	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 2205 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.
	0755	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over the occupied Shab'a Farms. It circled over the Western Bekaa before leaving at 1405 hours over Rumaysh.
	1010	Two Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Aytarun. They circled over all regions of Lebanon before leaving at 1255 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.
	1014	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek, Hirmil, Akkar and Beirut and its suburbs before leaving at 2030 hours over Rumaysh.
25 September 2015	1005	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Rumaysh. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 1600 hours over Rumaysh.
26 September 2015	0600	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 1410 hours over Kafr Killa.
	1200	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Rumaysh. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 1830 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.

Date	*Time*	*Nature of violation*
27 September 2015	0825	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over Riyaq and Baalbek before leaving at 1250 hours over Kafr Killa.
28 September 2015	0615	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and the Western Bekaa before leaving at 1310 hours over Rumaysh.
	0835	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 1320 hours over Kafr Killa.
29 September 2015	0605	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over Riyaq and Baalbek before leaving at 1900 hours over Kafr Killa.
30 September 2015	0615	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 2140 hours over Rumaysh.
	1330	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek, Hirmil and the South before leaving at 1200 hours over Rumaysh.